

## TURKISH ANGORA

### Standard of Excellence

#### GENERAL DESCRIPTION

The ideal Turkish Angora is a balanced, graceful cat with a fine, silky coat that shimmers with every movement, in contrast to the firm, long muscular body beneath it.

Head	Size	Small to medium, in balance with the rest of the body and the extremities.
	Shape	A medium long smooth wedge. Allowance is to be made for jowls.
	Profile	Two planes formed by a flat top head and the line of the nose meeting at an angle slightly above the eyes. NO BREAK.
Muzzle		A continuation of the smooth lines of the wedge, with neither pronounced whisker pad or pinch.
Ears		Large, wide at base, pointed and tufted. Set closely together, high on the head, vertical and erect.
Eyes	Shape & Set	Large, almond shaped, slanting slightly upward with an open expression.
	Colour	There is no relationship between eye colour and coat colour. Each eye colour description can include much variation within its defined spectrum, especially as cats mature. Acceptable colours can be blue, which encompasses shades of sky blue to sapphire; green which can range from gooseberry to emerald; green-gold which includes any gold or amber eye that carries a greenish cast or ring, and odd-eyed, with one blue eye and the other green, green-gold or amber. While no points are specifically allocated to eye colour, deeper, richer tones are preferred. Odd-eyed cats should have similar depth of colour in both eyes.
Nose		Medium in length.
Neck		Slim, graceful and rather long.
Chin		Firm, gently rounded. Tip in profile to form perpendicular line with the nose.

Body		Medium size, however, overall balance, grace and fineness of bone are more important than actual size. Males may be slightly larger than females. Body is long and slender, possessing greater depth than width, oval rather than round, (not tubular). Shoulders the same width as hips. Rump slightly higher than shoulders. Finely boned with firm muscularity.
Legs		Long. Hind legs longer than front.
Paws		Small, round and dainty.
Tail		Long and tapering from a wide base to a narrow end, with a full brush.
Coat		Single coated. Length of body coat varies, but tail and ruff should be long, full, finely textured and have a silk-like sheen. "Britches" should be apparent on the hind legs.
Balance		Proportionate in all physical aspects with a graceful, lithe appearance.
Penalise		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Obviously oversized coarse appearance.</li> <li>•</li> </ul>
Disqualify		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Cobby body type.</li> <li>• Kinked or abnormal tail.</li> <li>• Crossed eyes.</li> </ul>
Colour Note		Tabby markings are frequently present on younger smokes and should not be penalised in those under one year of age.

## SCALE OF POINTS

Total		100 points
Head incl. Shape & Profile 15 Ears Size 5 Ear Placement 10 Eye size, shape and placement 10		40
Body, incl. Size & Boning 10 Torso, including neck 15 Legs & Tail 5 Muscle tone 5		35
Balance		10
Coat      Texture and coverage 10 Colour 5		15

### RECOGNISED COLOURS:

Traditional Solids, Tabbies, Smokes & Shaded Silvers, Parti-Colours.  
No Pointed Series. No evidence of hybridisation.

ALLOWABLE OUTCROSSES: None.